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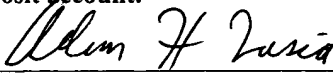
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. patents and patent applications are not included as this application was filed after June 30, 2003. However, copies of all other cited references are included with this form.

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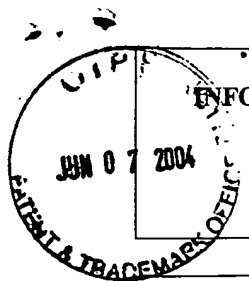
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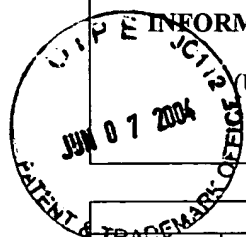
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